

Division of Building Safety

Analyst: Swanson

Historical Summary

OPERATING BUDGET	FY 2006 Total App	FY 2006 Actual	FY 2007 Approp	FY 2008 Request	FY 2008 Gov Rec
BY PROGRAM					
Building Safety	12,115,100	11,249,900	12,825,000	13,126,800	12,661,200
Public Works	0	0	0	0	3,499,700
Total:	12,115,100	11,249,900	12,825,000	13,126,800	16,160,900
BY FUND CATEGORY					
Dedicated	11,989,300	11,130,700	12,701,100	12,989,700	16,027,200
Federal	125,800	119,200	123,900	137,100	133,700
Total:	12,115,100	11,249,900	12,825,000	13,126,800	16,160,900
Percent Change:		(7.1%)	14.0%	2.4%	26.0%
BY OBJECT OF EXPENDITURE					
Personnel Costs	8,888,200	8,295,000	8,897,100	9,140,400	10,839,900
Operating Expenditures	2,568,500	2,266,600	3,647,800	3,674,900	5,013,500
Capital Outlay	658,400	688,300	280,100	311,500	307,500
Total:	12,115,100	11,249,900	12,825,000	13,126,800	16,160,900
Full-Time Positions (FTP)	148.10	148.10	152.10	152.00	176.50

Division Description

The Division of Building Safety administers five bureaus and houses six boards. Funding for the Building, Electrical, Plumbing, Public Works Contractor Licensing and Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning (HVAC) Bureaus is provided through fees for licenses, permits, plan reviews, and apprentice/trainee registrations. Other programs operated by the division include the Industrial and Logging Safety Programs, funded by transfers from the Idaho Industrial Commission, and an energy code program funded through grant monies from the U.S. Department of Energy and the Northwest Energy Efficiency Alliance.

The Building Bureau administers numerous building code regulatory programs involving the construction and safety of state facilities, schools, prefabricated modular structures, and mobile or manufactured homes. The bureau also provides for the rehabilitation of older mobile homes and licenses the manufactured home industry. Plan reviews and inspections are performed to determine compliance with adopted building, accessibility, mechanical, fuel gas, energy conservation, and HUD construction safety codes or standards.

The Electrical Bureau licenses all electricians and contractors, registers apprentices, issues permits, and reviews plans and inspects all electrical installations to ensure code compliance.

The Plumbing Bureau licenses plumbers and contractors, registers apprentices, issues permits, conducts inspections, and reviews plans.

The Heating, Ventilation & Air Conditioning Bureau establishes qualifications and issues certificates of competency for HVAC installers and conducts inspections of HVAC systems.

The Public Works Contractor Licensing Bureau licenses all contractors and construction managers performing public works construction.

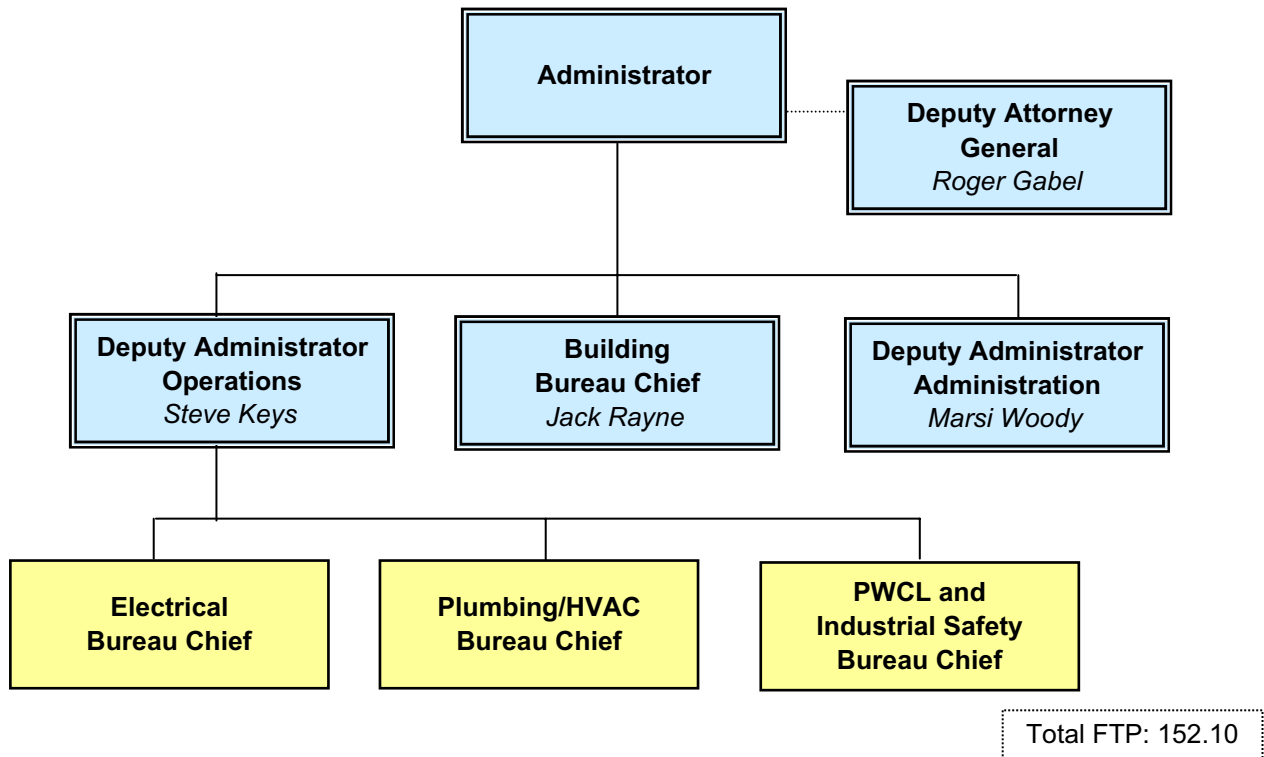
The Industrial Safety Program conducts inspections of state facilities and school districts to ensure safe working conditions and manages the statewide Boiler Safety and Elevator Safety Programs. The Elevator Safety Program is funded through certification and inspection fees. The Logging Safety Program seeks to reduce the frequency and severity of accidents in the logging industry by conducting first aid classes and on-the-job safety meetings for loggers, providing safety training for management, and inspecting logging operations.

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Organizational Chart



Sources/Uses of Funds	FY 2007 Original Appropriation
Electrical Fund: Electrical contractor license fees and permits.	\$4,626,100
Building Fund: Fees for inspections and plan reviews of HUD manufactured homes, commercial modular structures, state buildings and schools.	\$1,065,500
Plumbing Fund: Plumbing license fees and permits.	\$3,058,700
Manufactured Housing Fund: Manufacturer and dealer license fees.	\$91,200
Public Works Contractor Licensing Fund: Fees generated from licenses issued to contractors, builders, and others doing public works construction.	\$473,500
HVAC Fund: HVAC license and examination fees and permits.	\$1,943,700
Misc. Revenue/Industrial Safety Fund: T/B payments from the Industrial Commission's Compensation program. Used to inspect state, school district, and (by request) count and city facilities to ensure safe working conditions.	\$682,100
Misc. Revenue/Logging Fund: T/B payments from the Industrial Commission's Compensation program, used to promote safety in the state logging industry.	\$427,100
Misc. Revenue/Energy Program: Revenue from the NW Energy Efficiency Alliance, related to energy code implementation	\$47,900
Federal Grant: Funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, used for activities related to HUD Manufactured Housing Program.	\$123,900
Other Funds (Elevator Safety Code; NCSBCS): Elevator inspection fees; payments from the Institute for Building Technology and Service for HUD monitoring requirements.	\$285,300
Total Appropriation	\$12,825,000

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Selected Measures

CASE MANAGEMENT/SERVICES PROVIDED	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006
Electrical Bureau				
Permits Issued	34,981	36,947	42,351	42,756
Licenses Issued	8,855	9,576	10,199	10,592
Apprentices/Trainees Registered	2,628	2,853	3,012	3,562
Installation Inspections Completed	67,600	71,404	74,144	80,597
Plumbing Bureau				
Inspections Conducted within 12 Hours	69,357	55,701	61,554	62,992
Licenses Issued	3,796	3,779	3,926	4,443
Apprentices Registered	653	727	853	1,545
HVAC Bureau*				
Permits Issued	n/a	n/a	3,264	9,023
Inspections Conducted	n/a	n/a	3,628	20,764
Licenses Issued	n/a	n/a	4,852	5,313
Apprentices Registered	n/a	n/a	430	1,114
Building Bureau				
Building Plans Checked	325	346	402	417
Modular or Site-Built Building Inspections	1,844	1,903	1,242	2,987
In-plant Manufactured Home Inspections	6,800	6,467	6,514	6,673
HUD Record Audits/Investigations	786	573	473	633
Manufactured Housing Industry Licenses Issued	505	436	400	409
Public Works Contractor Board				
PWC Licenses Issued	2,800	2,496	1,809	2,488
Industrial Safety Program				
Public Building Safety Inspections	9,049	9,049	6,704	6,595
Elevator Inspections	254	125	271	507
Logging Operations Inspections	783	826	848	840
Logging First-aid Class Attendees	2,036	1,892	1,979	1,725
<i>*The HVAC Bureau began licensing and inspecting operations in FY 2005.</i>				

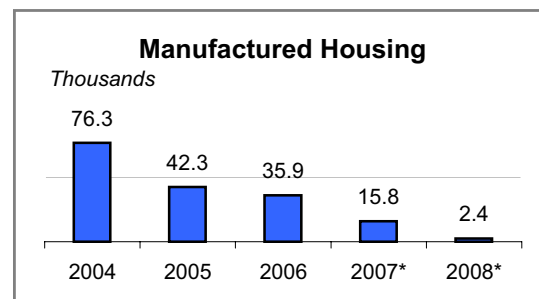
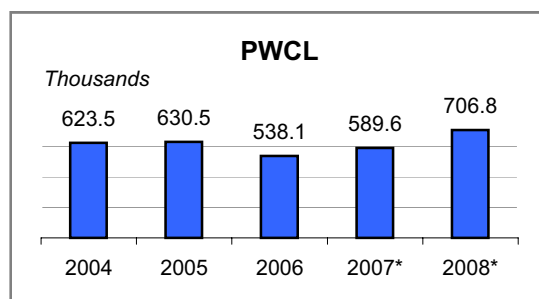
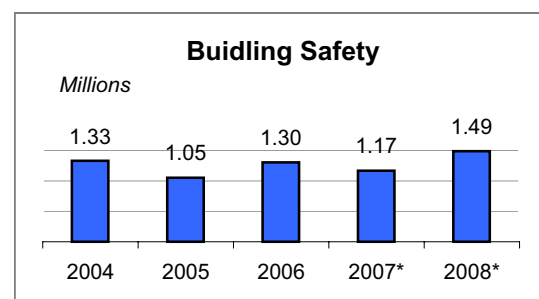
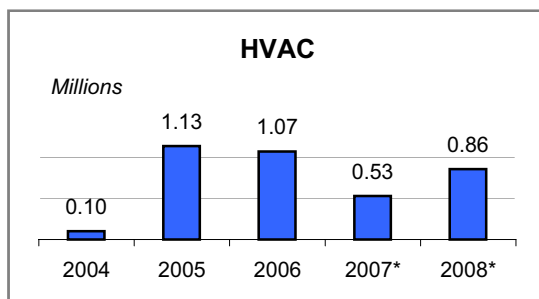
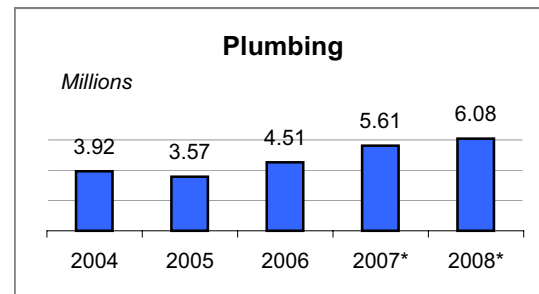
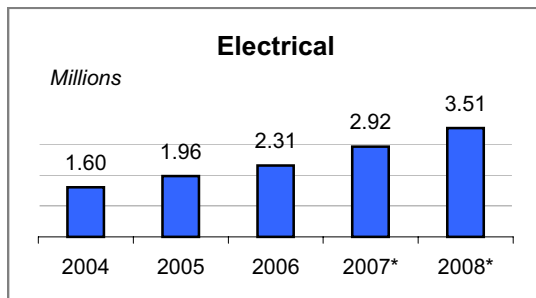
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FY 2006 ACTUAL REVENUE BY SOURCE

	Licenses	Inspection Fees	Technical Services	All Other	Total
Electrical	\$484,000 10.3%	\$4,070,400 86.6%	\$8,900 0.2%	\$138,700 2.9%	\$4,702,000 100.0%
Plumbing	\$74,700 2.3%	\$3,142,100 95.4%	\$6,500 0.2%	\$71,300 2.2%	\$3,294,600 100.0%
HVAC	\$153,600 10.2%	\$1,341,000 88.6%	\$0 0.0%	\$18,700 1.2%	\$1,513,300 100.0%
Building Safety	\$0 0.0%	\$581,900 49.2%	\$587,900 49.7%	\$13,600 1.1%	\$1,183,400 100.0%
PWCL	\$334,400 92.8%	\$0 0.0%	\$0 0.0%	\$26,100 7.2%	\$360,500 100.0%
Manufactured Housing	\$71,000 99.0%	\$0 0.0%	\$0 0.0%	\$700 1.0%	\$71,700 100.0%

FY 2004 - FY 2008 END OF YEAR FUND BALANCE



*End of year balances for FY 2007 and FY 2008 are estimated

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Comparative Summary

Decision Unit	Agency Request			Governor's Rec		
	FTP	General	Total	FTP	General	Total
FY 2007 Original Appropriation	152.10	0	12,825,000	152.10	0	12,825,000
Removal of One-Time Expenditures	0.00	0	(443,100)	0.00	0	(443,100)
Base Adjustments	(0.10)	0	(480,000)	(2.10)	0	(665,500)
FY 2008 Base	152.00	0	11,901,900	150.00	0	11,716,400
Benefit Costs	0.00	0	217,000	0.00	0	0
Inflationary Adjustments	0.00	0	113,500	0.00	0	16,700
Replacement Items	0.00	0	529,000	0.00	0	529,000
Statewide Cost Allocation	0.00	0	13,100	0.00	0	13,100
Change in Employee Compensation	0.00	0	276,300	0.00	0	386,000
FY 2008 Program Maintenance	152.00	0	13,050,800	150.00	0	12,661,200
1. Governor's Initiative - Public Works	0.00	0	0	26.50	0	3,499,700
2. Pool Dedicated Fund Appropriation	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0
3. Contract Inspector Trial	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0
4. Vehicle GPS Units	0.00	0	37,500	0.00	0	0
5. Inspector Training Improvements	0.00	0	38,500	0.00	0	0
FY 2008 Total	152.00	0	13,126,800	176.50	0	16,160,900
Change from Original Appropriation	(0.10)	0	301,800	24.40	0	3,335,900
% Change from Original Appropriation			2.4%			26.0%

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Budget by Decision Unit	FTP	General	Dedicated	Federal	Total
FY 2007 Original Appropriation	152.10	0	12,701,100	123,900	12,825,000

Removal of One-Time Expenditures

Remove funding provided for one-time items.

Agency Request	0.00	0	(441,200)	(1,900)	(443,100)
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	0	(441,200)	(1,900)	(443,100)

Base Adjustments

Removes \$480,000 that was incorrectly coded as ongoing in the FY 2007 appropriation, reflects adjustments in personnel costs between funds, and removes 0.10 FTP not used by the division.

Agency Request	(0.10)	0	(489,500)	9,500	(480,000)
<i>The Governor recommends removal of the deputy administrator positions.</i>					
Governor's Recommendation	(2.10)	0	(673,100)	7,600	(665,500)

FY 2008 Base

Agency Request	152.00	0	11,770,400	131,500	11,901,900
Governor's Recommendation	150.00	0	11,586,800	129,600	11,716,400

Benefit Costs

Restores funding for premium holidays taken in FY 2007 estimated at \$865 per employee. Also includes the employer-paid portion of estimated changes in employee benefit costs including \$350 per employee for health insurance.

Agency Request	0.00	0	215,300	1,700	217,000
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The Governor recommends that all health insurance related adjustments be funded by program changes or utilizing reserves available in the group insurance contract. As the PERSI Board voted to maintain the current contribution rate for the upcoming fiscal year, no adjustment to retirement rates is necessary.

Governor's Recommendation	0.00	0	0	0	0
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Inflationary Adjustments

This customized inflationary adjustment is a 3.78% increase over base operating expenditures. It is calculated by subtracting statewide allocation plan costs and applying a 1.81% increase to all remaining operating costs, for an increase of \$35,700. The request also includes a 16.17% increase for fuel and lubricant costs (\$58,200) and a 3.44% increase for contractual rentals and operating leases (\$19,600).

Agency Request	0.00	0	112,400	1,100	113,500
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Inflationary increases are provided only for contractual obligations such as leased space costs. Other inflationary requests are not recommended.

Governor's Recommendation	0.00	0	16,500	200	16,700
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Replacement Items

Replacement capital outlay includes 23 vehicles (\$23,000 each) with mileage exceeding 120,000. The vehicles will average about 137,400 miles at the time of replacement. Sixteen of the vehicles are for the Electrical Bureau, five are for the Plumbing Bureau, one is for the HVAC Bureau, and one is for the Industrial Safety Program.

Agency Request	0.00	0	529,000	0	529,000
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	0	529,000	0	529,000

Statewide Cost Allocation

This decision unit includes adjustments for services provided by state agencies as follow: \$500 for Attorney General fees, \$10,600 for State Controller fees, \$1,500 for State Treasurer fees, and \$500 for property and casualty insurance premiums.

Agency Request	0.00	0	13,000	100	13,100
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	0	13,000	100	13,100

Change in Employee Compensation

Reflects the calculated cost of a 3.5% salary increase for permanent and group positions.

Agency Request	0.00	0	273,600	2,700	276,300
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The Governor recommends a compensation increase of 5% to be distributed based on merit.

Governor's Recommendation	0.00	0	382,200	3,800	386,000
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Budget by Decision Unit	FTP	General	Dedicated	Federal	Total
FY 2008 Program Maintenance					
Agency Request	152.00	0	12,913,700	137,100	13,050,800
Governor's Recommendation	150.00	0	12,527,500	133,700	12,661,200

1. Governor's Initiative - Public Works

Public Works

Agency Request 0.00 0 0 0 0

The Governor recommends transferring the Division of Public Works, Idaho State Capitol Commission, Permanent Building Fund Advisory Council, and the Governor's Housing Committee functions to the Division of Building Safety. This will include 26.5 FTP, associated operating funds, and one deputy attorney general that is funded in operating expenditures. One-time operating expenditures include moving expenses. Capital outlay includes one-time costs for a large format printer.

Governor's Recommendation 26.50 0 3,499,700 0 3,499,700

2. Pool Dedicated Fund Appropriation

Building Safety

The Division of Building Safety is requesting that dedicated fund appropriations for the Electrical, Building, Plumbing, Manufactured Housing, Public Works Contractor Licensing, and Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning Funds be combined. Currently, the division is appropriated at the fund detail level for each of these funds. The division states that pooling the appropriation for these funds will provide flexibility to shift or share resources between operational units, based on customer demand.

Agency Request 0.00 0 0 0 0

Governor's Recommendation 0.00 0 0 0 0

3. Contract Inspector Trial

Building Safety

The FY 2007 appropriation for the Division of Building Safety included intent language directing the division to research the feasibility of contracting inspection-related services. The division subsequently sent a delegation to visit Minnesota to review the state's use of independent contractors to provide inspection services and determined that use of contract inspectors in Idaho could potentially offer cost-savings through improved efficiency and flexibility in response to changing demand.

The division is requesting \$480,000 for the first year of a two-year program to hire contract inspectors on a trial basis and gather data to compare costs and performance outcomes. The program will be funded through a shift of ongoing personnel costs of \$250,000 and one-time capital outlay of \$230,000 to operating expenditures. The division plans to replace 10 FTP with contractors over the course of FY 2008, primarily through normal attrition. The \$250,000 in personnel costs is approximately one-half year's salary for 10 inspectors and the \$230,000 in capital outlay is equal to the cost of 10 of the vehicles requested under replacement costs in the FY 2008 budget. Contract inspectors will use their own vehicles and transportation costs will be included in the contract. The division plans to request additional funding in their FY 2009 budget for this project, and will determine ongoing funding needs upon assessment of the outcomes of the trial.

[Analyst Comment: The \$230,000 shift from capital outlay to operating expenditures is dependent upon approval of the division's request for replacement of 10 vehicles at \$23,000 each. If replacement cost for these vehicles is not appropriated, the division will need to explore other options for funding this program.]

Agency Request 0.00 0 0 0 0

Governor's Recommendation 0.00 0 0 0 0

4. Vehicle GPS Units

Building Safety

The Division of Building Safety is requesting one-time capital outlay of \$12,500 for 50 GPS units and ongoing operating expenditures of \$25,000 for communication services to equip half of the vehicle fleet with GPS locator technology. The division states that this technology will support the proposed contract inspector trial by allowing the division to monitor performance and determine the cost of providing service, and will improve efficiency by enabling the assignment of inspectors to requests based on location.

Agency Request 0.00 0 37,500 0 37,500

Not recommended by the Governor.

Governor's Recommendation 0.00 0 0 0 0

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Budget by Decision Unit	FTP	General	Dedicated	Federal	Total
5. Inspector Training Improvements					Building Safety
The Division of Building Safety is requesting \$38,500 in operating expenditures to increase training for inspectors, support staff, and supervisors. Of this request, \$10,000 would be ongoing funds for travel and employee development costs. The remaining \$28,500 would provide one-time funding for code books, software, training materials and travel costs related to changes in the National Electrical Code.					
Agency Request	0.00	0	38,500	0	38,500
<i>Not recommended by the Governor.</i>					
Governor's Recommendation	0.00	0	0	0	0
FY 2008 Total					
Agency Request	152.00	0	12,989,700	137,100	13,126,800
Governor's Recommendation	176.50	0	16,027,200	133,700	16,160,900
Agency Request					
Change from Original App	(0.10)	0	288,600	13,200	301,800
% Change from Original App	(0.1%)		2.3%	10.7%	2.4%
<i>Governor's Recommendation</i>					
Change from Original App	24.40	0	3,326,100	9,800	3,335,900
% Change from Original App	16.0%		26.2%	7.9%	26.0%